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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Shigeki FUJIHARA et al.  
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action of February 16, 2005, in connection with the above-identified application. This response is timely filed.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.